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1. SUNG Hsi-lien, PAI Chung-hsi's deputy in the Hankow area, has joined PAI and CHENG Chien, governor of Hunan, in opposition to the Generalissimo and in a demand for his retirement.

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Comment. Indications suggest that PAI is building a political bloc extending from Honan through Kwangtung and Kwangsi, and possibly Yunnan. SUNG has personal command of four armies now disposed north and northwest of Hankow, while PAI has three armies in the environs of Hankow. SUNG's affiliation permits PAI to take a strong stand against the Generalissimo.)

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